## Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Robert and Gloria Even exchanged their wedding vows, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Robert married Gloria on March 18, 1947, and to that union three children were born, Linda, Peggy, and Rick, who further blessed their lives with six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, The newlywed couple of 70 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Before retiring, Robert, a World War II Veteran, was the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation to farm the family land and volunteered his services to the church and community, while Gloria worked by his side as his partner, helper, and hostess extraordinaire; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Robert and Gloria have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, Robert and Gloria will celebrate their 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable occasions in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 18, 2017, as

## ROBERT AND GLORIA EVEN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

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Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State